

LYNDON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF
FEBRUARY 19, 2013

The Lyndon City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 19, 2013, 7:00 p.m., at City Hall.

Members Present: Darby Kneisler, Bill Patterson, Wayne Howard, Brandon Smith (8:32), Doug Watson, and Mayor Kay Jones

Members Absent:

Others Present: Kimberly Newman, City Administrator
Julie Stutzman, City Clerk
Darrel Manning, Chief of Police
David Wilson, Maintenance Supervisor
Ethan Kneisler

1. CALL TO ORDER: The Mayor called the meeting to order.
2. ROLL CALL: The City Clerk called roll. Smith late with previous notification.
3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: A motion was made by Kneisler to approve the Regular meeting minutes of February 4, 2013 as presented. Patterson seconded, motion carried.
4. CORRESPONDENCE TO COUNCIL:
 - Note from Sue Olsen
 - Pledge of Securities from Lyndon State Bank.
5. CITIZEN'S STATEMENTS AND PETITIONS: None.
6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
 - a) RESOLUTION 13-01: Following discussion, a motion was made by Watson to approve Resolution 13-01 putting the ½ cent Sales Tax question on the April ballot. Kneisler seconded, motion carried with Howard voting no.
 - b) ½ CENT SALES TAX MAILERS: The City Administrator researched the Hatch Act and the Kansas statues on elections regarding using public funds for advertising and stated that city funds can be used. She presented the Council with an updated mailer for review. It was consensus of the Council to send out the mailer with the amended language.

- c) TOWN HALL MEETING DATE OF MARCH 2, 2013 9 A.M. - 11 A.M.: The City Administrator stated at the last Council meeting there was discussion about the date to hold the Town Hall Meeting of either March 2nd or March 16th. It was consensus of the Council the Town Hall Meeting will be March 2nd, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Lyndon Community Center.
- d) TOWN HALL MEETING TOPICS: The City Administrator gave each Council member a copy of the proposed PowerPoint presentation to be shown at the Town Hall Meeting on March 2nd to review and discuss. Topics will include the upcoming election candidates, Safe Routes to School, Sunflower Trail Grant, and the ½ cent Sales Tax.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- a) SUNFLOWER TRAIL GRANT: Each Council member was given a copy of an email from Elizabeth Stewart of the Sunflower Foundation announcing the City's application had been approved for \$55,000. Each Council member was also given a copy of a letter from Jones Trust informing the City it has been awarded \$91,250 to support the Jones Park Walking Trail Project.
- b) MAINTENANCE TRUCKS: The Maintenance Supervisor submitted a request to purchase 2 used trucks for the Maintenance Department and had gotten prices from Kansas State Surplus. After further discussion with the Maintenance Supervisor, a motion was made by Kneisler to approve the purchase of 2 trucks at \$12,500 each and associated costs not to exceed \$5000. Howard seconded, motion carried.

8. STAFF REPEORTS:

- a) POLICE: Council members were given a copy of the Officer Activity Report.
- b) PLANNING AND ZONING: The Zoning Administrator stated the board had met and discussed the one building permit that had been submitted.
- c) MAINTENANCE: Each council member received an activity report from Maintenance. Watson asked about the sewer plant operations. The Maintenance supervisor stated everything is working well.

Patterson asked about the memorial bench and the Mounkes Memorial. The Maintenance Supervisor stated the Mounkes Memorial is being handled by the USD 421 Superintendant. The City Administrator stated the Memorial Bench has been approved by the family and the City, and will be placed near the kids area at City Park; there will be a memorial ceremony in May.

- d) CITY ADMINISTRATOR: The City Administrator stated the Recreation Commission representative reported that Jeff Bronson, Glenda Bronson and Scott Toman will be stepping down from the Board as of the first of April. The Rec representative stated the

Commission will be advertising for someone to run the summer baseball program. The City Administrator stated another ad will be put in the paper for City vacancies on Board and Commissions.

The City Administrator stated that due to the new walking trail grant and other improvements, the Jones Park Agreement between the school, Rec Commission and the City must be updated.

9. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Patterson: Patterson asked that the Powerpoint presentation include the new clinic coming and when it going to open.

Patterson asked if there could be a Pride activity list. The City Administrator stated she would get it.

Patterson asked about the sign at the old station. Howard stated it has been difficult to contact the property owner.

Smith: None.

Howard: None.

Kneisler: Kneisler asked if the City contributed to the Rec Commission budget. The City Administrator stated they get their funding through the 2 mills from the school because the school mill is higher. She also stated any programming that is facilitated through the City will be billed to the Rec to hopefully help with the costs.

Watson: None.

Mayor Jones: The Mayor stated she had noted from the last Council minutes that several people came to request extensions on their water bills. She stated her preference would be for a hearing officer to handle the requests, as proposed by ordinance rather than taking up meeting time. The City Administrator stated she would like extension requests be made to the Council one more time, and then revisit.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION: (7:12) A motion was made by Patterson to adjourn to executive session for personnel for 15 minutes with City Administrator present. Watson seconded, motion carried. Council reconvened, no action taken.

11. ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Patterson to adjourn. Kneisler seconded the motion, which carried.

Julie Stutzman
City Clerk